## **BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**

## AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY

TIME CERTAIN 2:00 PM

Meeting Date: April 17, 2002	Division: District 1
Bulk Item: Yes No	Department: Commissioner Dixie M. Spehar
AGENDA ITEM WORDING: Approval to consider and instruct staff to enter into negotiations regarding the proposal by the Key West Botanical Garden to purchase/develop the recently vacated Stock Island property located at 5100 College Road.  ITEM BACKGROUND: The property that currently belongs to Monroe County was in 1936 part of the Botanical Gardens. This is a request to rebuild the Botanical Gardens with the assistance of American Association of Botanical Gardens, National Tree Trust in Washington, DC, and the City of Key West to name a few. The "Gardens" is the only frost-free arboretum in the Continental United States. The frost-free environment is a platform for growing and exhibiting many rare plant collections that are safe to our ecosystem. Hawaii is the only other area that can boast of this distinction.  PREVIOUS REVELANT BOCC ACTION: This item was tabled at the March 20, 2002, BOCC meeting.	
TOTAL COST:	BUDGETED: Yes No
REVENUE PRODUCING: Yes No AMOUNT PER MONTH Year	
APPROVED BY: County Atty OMB/Pu	rchasing Risk Management
DIVISION DIRECTOR APPROVAL:	(Commissioner Dixie M. Spehar)
<b>DOCUMENTATION:</b> Included X	To Follow Not Required
DISPOSITION:	_ AGENDA ITEM # 2

Plan

For

Reclamation

Of

The Key West Botanical Garden

Prepared by:

Carolann Sharkey
President of the KWBGS

To

Monroe County Commission April 17,2002 Dear County Commissioners:

So there is no confusion in understanding the Reclamation Plan for the Key West Botanical Garden, here is the proposal in more simplified terms:

For absolutely no money on the taxpayer part, you have the opportunity to "swap" your approx. 6 acres for another approximate 7.+ acres of land, and do something environmentally outstanding for the community, the county, the state, the nation and the Earth.

The city writes a grant and PAYS YOU for the property AS IS. You can then go out and buy the land you need for Public Works and the Fire Station. (See parcel # 1 and #2 for sale that meet your needs.) Whether you just buy 1.8 acres or the additional 6 acres is your business.

BUT YOU ACTUALLY HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY TO GAIN AN ADDITTIONAL 1+ ACRES OVER WHAT YOU HAVE ALREADY.

## This action also will be at no cost to the taxpayer.

You walk away with new land to build on, and you save the taxpayer \$500,000 that you would have spent to tear the old buildings down. Now you have \$500,000 extra to execute your plans. This is a good thing considering the County's financial issues. You only have to defer your planned expenditures to next year.

When we get the garden re-built, you will all be applauded nationwide for your efforts. and you haven't lost a thing; you actually gained a lot!

Further, we will make available 4 attorneys to do to the closings pro bono and an appraiser. Your costs to execute this plan are very minimal.

This is a "win win" for all the taxpayers and for the community. Monroe County will gain National recognition for this effort. So please vote "yes" and let us use our creativity and work our magic!

The Trees Thank You,

Carolann Sharkey President KWBGS Prepared By: Edward Clark Phone: 296-1019

Broker





Price \$1,800,000

Style Commercial Beds 0 FB/HB 0/0

Stat Active Yr Bit 1998

MLS # 408739 Addr 5 U.s. Hwy 1 Mm5

Yr Estab

Key Stock Island

Busn

Taxes 10.910

Type OTHER COMMERCIAL STYLE MI Mrk 5.00

Zoning UC

Bld Saft 0 Tot Units D

Water Front N Area 5

Side O

Exclusive E

Other Commercial Style

Land Size

1 - Less than 2 Acres Lot Dimen: 500X150

Waterfront/Waterview Waterfront: No Waterfront

Construction Other Construction Roof: Other Roof

Windows/Doors: Other Windows

Dockage None

Floor: Other Floors

Bed/Bath 1: 0

Bed/Bath 2: 0

Bed/Bath 3: 0

Bed/Bath 4: 0

Car Storage Off Street Parking

Cooling/Heat No Cooling

Sewer/Water Other Sewer/Water Sewer Accts: 0 Water Meters: 0

Electric Other Electric Electric Maters: 0

Other

Appliances: No Appliances

Public Records

Volume/Page Number: K946/100

**Financial** 

Terms: Seller Finance Possible

Other

Flood Zone: AE9

Mandatory Association: N Off Street Parking: Y License Included: Y Title: Negotiable

Tenant Paid: Tenant Pays No Utilities

Legal: Stock Island Maloney Sub Subdivision Pb 1-55 Lot 1 Thru 20 Sqr 24

Directions:

Remarks: Approval For Major Conditional Use Of A 32,200 Mini-storage Warehouse In Place. Excellent Location. High Visability. Roads On Four Sides-turn Off

Lane in Place Off Us#1, Call Listing Office For Details.

Agent: Remarks

> All information is deemed reliable but not guaranteed. Prospective purchasers should verify the information to their own satisfaction.

All dimensions are approximate. Printed 05/14/2001 08:28:08 AM RE1/RE2:00124090/000000

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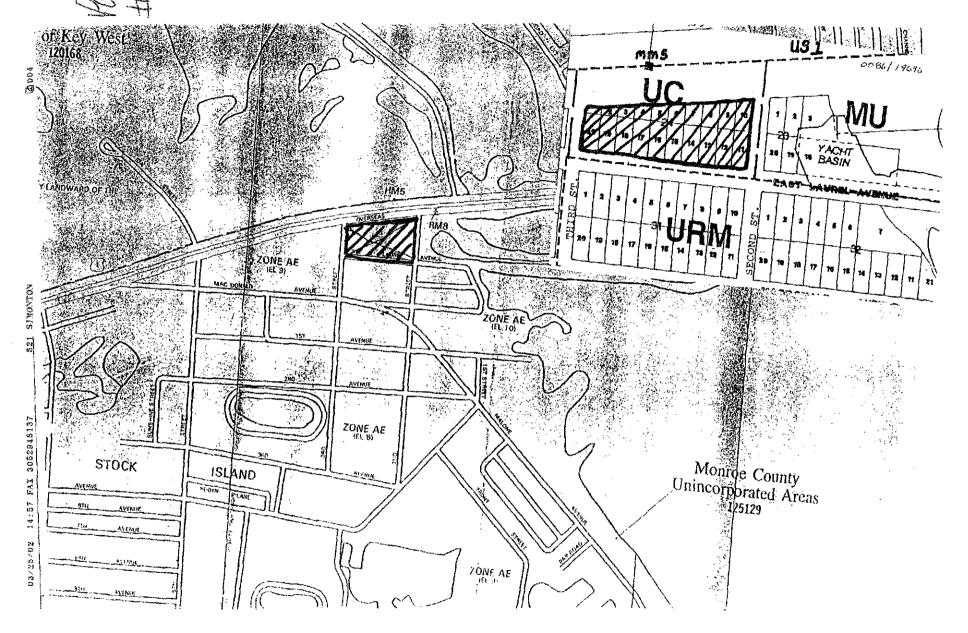
LIST Broker: PARADISE REAL ESTATE KEY Phone/Fax: 305-294-5008/305-294-8863

List Agent: Edward Clark Pbrkr Phone: 305-294-8000 294-8000

CoList Agnt: Phone: Limited Rep:

This Listing has been derived from the Florida Keys TriBoard MLS and is not necessarily a listing of the presenting broker.

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Parcel # Z

## MEMORANDUM FROM: ROCKLAND INVESTMENT CORPORATION, INC.

DATE: March 14, 2002

FROM :

TO: CarolAnn Sharkey

FROM: William O. Kemp

RE: Sale of Property

Enclosed please find copy of survey for the following lots:

(1) Lot GG-04 2.06 Acres

(2) Lot GG-05 1.73 Acres

5.52 acres 1,242,000

(3) Lot GG-06 1.73 Acres

The sale price per acre is \$225,000.00.

If you should need further information, please do not hesitate to call me at 296-2588 or cell 304-6669.

Deborah A. Henson

(305) 296-4460

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